# 25TH ANNUAL YADAPP CONFERENCE JULY 20-23, 2009 LONGWOOD UNIVERSITY

The Youth Alcohol and Drug Abuse Prevention Project (YADAPP) is a statewide youth leadership conference designed to empower teams of high school-aged students with the resources and motivation to develop projects related to the promotion of school safety and the prevention of drug use among their peers. Since 1984, approximately 440 different high schools and community organizations have participated in this unique "youth-led" leadership project. The mission of YADAPP is to develop youth leadership that fosters state, regional and local efforts to prevent substance abuse and violence.

Face it! is the theme of YADAPP 2009. Conference participants will work as a team to create an action plan that addresses an important alcohol or substance abuse prevention issue affecting their peers.



Face it! Youth are tempted to abuse alcohol and illicit drugs. Youth struggle with self-esteem and self-identity. Youth are often misunderstood. Face it! Youth need tools to cope with these issues. Face it! at YADAPP 2009....



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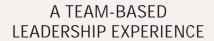
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**CELEBRATING 25 YEARS OF** CHANGING LIVES THROUGH LEADERSHIP

# Hi, I'm the YADAPP Y-Guy!

Join me July 20–23 for a cool time, at the hottest teen conference in Virginia, and not just because it's summer. I'm on Facebook, so search YADAPP Guy and become my friend and fan. I'll be looking for you!



The YADAPP summer leadership conference is a team-based leadership experience for high school age youth and sponsoring adults. High schools and community organizations are encouraged to send a team to YADAPP 2009 this summer to represent your school or organization.

## What is a YADAPP team?

- One team consists of up to four participants and one adult sponsor.
- A team must represent either a high school or community organization.
- · Rising ninth through twelfth graders may participate.
- Diverse youth participants should be selected for their commitment to leading drug-free lives and their peer-leadership potential.

## Who should attend YADAPP?

- High school students interested in making a difference
- · Students from leadership clubs/organizations such as SADD, SAVE,
- Students involved in community coalitions
- Students working in the community through community service boards, offices on youth, YMCAs, etc.
- · Adults interested in working with a team of students from their locality

# **YADAPP 2009 Highlights**

- Motivational Speakers: YADAPP 2009 will feature motivational and inspiring guest speakers in order to energize both students and adults.
- · Strategies To Act Now (STAN) Plan: Facilitated by youth staff members, the STAN planning process provides structure and guidance for participants as they create a substance abuse and/or violence prevention activity for their school or community. Participants develop an actual plan to present to their principal or organization director.

- YOVASO, SGA, NHS, BETA, etc.



# REGISTRATION INFORMATION

# **How do I register for YADAPP 2009?**

- Space is limited to the first 100 teams that register. To register, visit www.yadapp.com, www.abc.virginia.gov or www.dcjs.virginia.gov. Avoid disappointment and take advantage of this unique Virginia tradition today in order to ensure that your high school or community organization is represented at YADAP 2009.
- The registration deadline for teams is June 23, 2009. Team member names will be required by July 1, 2009. In the event of cancellation, full refunds will be made if you cancel on or before June 22, 2009; 50 percent refunds will be made if you cancel June 23 through July 10, 2009. No refunds will made if you cancel after July 11, 2009.

# How do I confirm my team's registration?

Letters confirming registration will be sent directly to the adult sponsor's mailing address entered during the team's online registration. These letters will be sent in advance of the conference and will contain detailed information to help your team prepare for YADAPP 2009.

## How much does YADAPP 2009 cost?

The value of the YADAPP experience far exceeds the actual cost! The team registration fee is \$600, covering lodging and meals for a team of four students and one adult. Additional adult sponsors can be added to the team for \$50 each. The first 50 registered and paid teams will receive a \$100 refund in the form of a check given to the team at onsite registration. Conference and travel expenses can often be paid through the Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act (SDFSCA) funding allocated to each school division in Virginia.

# How do I pay?

Online registration allows for payment by credit card. Checks are accepted by mail. If paying by check, please make check payable to "Treasurer of Virginia" and send to:

Dept. of Criminal Justice Services / Attn: Judy Lloyd, Finance 1100 Bank Street, 12th Floor / Richmond, VA 23219

# **Ouestions?**

The 25th Annual YADAPP conference is proudly presented by the Virginia Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) and the Department of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS).

- For general YADAPP guestions, please contact Steven Hammond at (804) 213.4498 / Steven.Hammond@abc.virginia.gov
- For team registration questions, please contact Lynn McHugh at (804) 225.2454 / Lynn.McHugh@dcjs.virginia.gov